

Subject: TODAY! (Thurs 4/19): Community Forum on WSAB
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TODAY! Important LTCC/SLT Community Forum on **new Metro train**

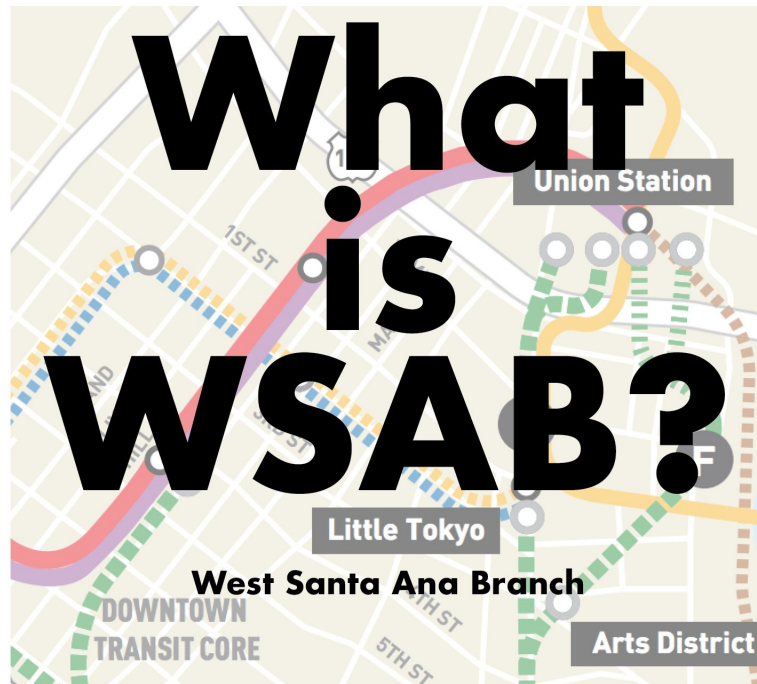
Join us **TONIGHT, Thursday, April 19th, 6:30pm at JACCC (Garden Room B)** for an important Little Tokyo Community Council (LTCC) / Sustainable Little Tokyo Community Forum. This Community Forum will be focusing on the [West Santa Ana Branch \(WSAB\)](#) line - a new Metro train line with proposed routes going through Little Tokyo!



Little Tokyo Community Forum



focusing on



Thursday, April 19 • 6:30–8:00pm
JACCC Garden Room B, 244 S San Pedro St

Yes, that's right—another Metro rail line might run right through Little Tokyo! Learn how the West Santa Ana Branch (WSAB) could impact or benefit Little Tokyo, and help us decide which option is best for our community. **Light food provided!**

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RSVP to info@littletokyola.org!!

The Metro Board will be voting in May (next month!) which routes to discard, and which to continue looking at for environmental review!! It is important Little Tokyo makes our voice heard as to which lines we want and would accept, and which will be harmful for our historic neighborhood. This is the last meeting LTCC will host this month to solicit community input before LTCC Board & General Membership discuss LTCC's position. Come out tonight and help us determine what is best for Little Tokyo's future! Also, free pizza? Yes!

April 2018 Little Tokyo Community Council meetings:

Please join us at the following LTCC meetings! All are welcome :)

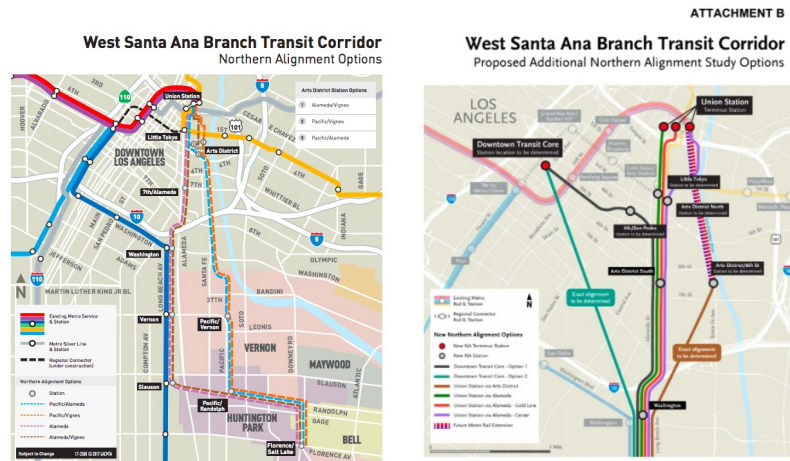
- 1. TONIGHT, Thurs, 4/19, 6:30pm:** LTCC/SLT Community Forum on WSAB (new Metro line!!)
- 2. Tues, 4/24, 11:45am:** LTCC General Meeting @ JANM
- 3. Wed, 4/25, 3:00pm:** LTCC Marketing & Go Little Tokyo Campaign Meeting @ LT Metro Office

4. Community Announcements (see end of email for more details)

- Little Tokyo Open (April 21-22)
- Little Tokyo Sparkle (Sat, 5/12)

1. LTCC/SLT Community Forum: Little Tokyo community meeting on West Santa Ana Branch Metro Transit Line (new metro rail!!)

TONIGHT, Thursday, April 19th, 6:30pm @ JACCC



Do you know about the new Metro rail line possibly coming through Little Tokyo?

NOW is the time to learn more about it, and come together as a community to figure out what we WANT and DON'T WANT. We want to discuss impacts, concerns, and other interests that the Little Tokyo community has identified for this new Metro Rail line.

The Little Tokyo Community Council & Sustainable Little Tokyo will be focusing our upcoming [Community Forum](#) on this new transit line, with the goal to identify our community's concerns, what we want, and a community position. Join us - **Thurs, April 19th, 6:30pm @ JACCC!!!**

If you cannot make the meeting, but still want to input: please send all comments to info@littletokyola.org

Details:

Date: Thursday, April 19th

Location: JACCC Garden Room A (244 S. San Pedro St., basement level)

Time: 6:30PM

RSVP: info@littletokyola.org

Facebook event

page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/217293119020266/>

FMI: <https://www.metro.net/projects/west-santa-ana/>

2. LTCC General Meeting

Tuesday, April 24th, 11:45am @ JANM



Join LTCC for our monthly General Council Meeting on **Tuesday, March 27th, 11:45am** at the Japanese American National Museum. Japanese translation provided at meetings upon request. Only member organizations may vote. These meetings are open to the public!

Presentations:

- Metro Regional Connector Public Art Update (Audrey Chan)
- Delicious Little Tokyo (Go Little Tokyo)
- Budokan update

To add an agenda item, email us at info@littletokyo.org.

Details:

Date: Tuesday, 4/24/18

Location: Japanese American National Museum (100 N Central Ave)

Time: 11:45AM

3. LTCC Marketing & Go Little Tokyo Campaign Meeting
Wednesday, April 25th, 3:00pm @ Metro Little Tokyo Office



LTCC Marketing Committee - which discusses and guides the LTCC marketing & the [Go Little Tokyo](#) community marketing campaign, alongside other issues - will hold its monthly meeting on **Wednesday, Mar 28th, 3pm** at the Regional Connector Little Tokyo Community Office (360 E. 1st Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012). All are welcome!

In this meeting, we will be reviewing regular ongoing marketing items and be looking ahead to holiday season marketing strategies.

Details:

Date: Wednesday, 4/25/18

Location: Regional Connector Little Tokyo Community Office (360 E. 1st Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012)

Time: 3:00PM

Membership Renewal!

LTCC membership [renewal is here!](#) Download this [form](#), and return to us by [email](#), mail (106 ½ Judge John Aiso Street, Suite 172, Los Angeles, 90012), or at the next General Meeting.

For more information, [check out our membership page!](#) <https://littletokyola.org/members/>

Follow us online!

LTCC has just launched a [blog](#) and a [Facebook](#) presence! We are slowly rolling out both, but you can get in early and start following us now!

Our website is also back in action!! Check out the new site at www.littletokyola.org

LTCC Blog: <https://littletokyocommunity.tumblr.com/>
LTCC Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LTCommunityCouncil/>

Community Announcements & Events

7-Eleven Updates

Thank you to everyone who came to the hearing, spoke at the hearing, submitted letters, and beyond! The Little Tokyo community continues to demonstrate we are strongest when united, and willing to show up and fight for our historic neighborhood when necessary.

Overview of issue:

Avalon Bay is planning to bring 7-Eleven into Little Tokyo, to be located in the AVA Little Tokyo building at 2nd & Los Angeles. 7-Eleven is requesting a Conditional Use Permit liquor license to sell beer and wine off-site. At the February committee meetings, Board meeting, and General Membership meeting, LTCC has voted on and approved the following motions:

- That LTCC **opposes** the 7-Eleven request to allow off-site sales of alcohol, and its proposed hours of operation,
- That LTCC **opposes** the 7-Eleven store be located at Avalon Bay in Little Tokyo.

7-Eleven's request to sell off-site liquor was presented to Zoning Administrator Fernando Tovar in a hearing on Wednesday, March 7th.

Update 1:

After over 20 people from the Little Tokyo community spoke, in addition to the many letters submitted to the Zoning Administrator, Zoning Administrator Fernando Tovar decided to keep the case open for another thirty days, so that community members could continue to submit documentation and concerns. **Therefore, if you still would like to submit a letter of concern / opposition, please send it to:**

- Fernando Tovar: fernando.tovar@lacity.org
- William Hughen: william.hughen@lacity.org

(click to download)

[Letter Template that can be used](#)

[LTCC Letter for reference](#)

After 30 days - April 7th - Zoning Administrator Fernando Tovar will issue a decision as to whether this pending 7-Eleven will be able to sell off-site beer and wine. Please stay tuned for further updates!

Update 2:

7-Eleven has expressed interest in negotiating for community support to receive their CUP request. This proposal will be reviewed and discussed at the April 18th LTCC All-Committees meeting. As a result, the Zoning Administrator has extended the hearing period on this case for another 30 days - until May 7th

If you would like to work with LTCC and be involved further in this issue, please contact Kristin at kristin@littletokyola.org.

Little Tokyo Open

April 21st-22nd & April 28th-29th, 11am-4pm @ JACCC Plaza



Visit, learn, explore, and play in LittleTokyo at the inaugural Little Tokyo Mini Open. This is a 9 hole pop-up miniature golf course located in the Japanese American Cultural & Community Center. Every hole is a vibrant artwork created by a local artist paying tribute to the past, present, and future of our 134-year old Japanese American community! Free for Kids Ages 12 and under and \$3 for Ages 13 and above. Equipment will be provided. Children under 12 who are registered will be given a free t-shirt, while supplies last. Pre-registration ends 48 hours before event date. (Entrance will be on 2nd Street across from the Little Tokyo Village Plaza)

Little Tokyo Open is generously sponsored by LET'S PLAY/DR PEPPER SNAPPLE GROUP, LITTLY TOKYO BUSINESS ASSOCIATION in Partnership With JAPANESE AMERICAN CULTURAL & COMMUNITY CENTER and SUSTAINABLE LITTLE TOKYO.

Artworks by Andrea Aguilar, Brie Wakeland, Dan Kwong with Chris Tashima, Lina Cheng, LTSC/Budokan, MANO YO (Mario Correa & Zen Sekizawa) and Mei Zhao

Little Tokyo Sparkle

Saturday, May 12th, 9am-12:30pm

DONATIONS can be made to:
LITTLE TOKYO COMMUNITY COUNCIL: 106 1/2 JUDGE JOHN AISO STREET, SUITE 172, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 (Fed. Tax ID: 20-0258503)
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LITTLE TOKYO Sparkle

NANCY KIKUCHI VOLUNTEER DAY

Bring Your HACHIMAKI
 Sweep-Scrape-Pick up Trash-Sidewalk Clean-up
Saturday, May 12, 2018
9AM-12:30PM

Join us in our efforts to clean up Little Tokyo
 And continue the process of building our community!

SIGN-UP LINK: [Click here](http://bit.ly/LTsparkle2018) or <http://bit.ly/LTsparkle2018>

Bring: gloves, Hat, sunscreen
 Dress Appropriately

Meet at JACCC Plaza at 9 am (244 S. San Pedro St., LA, 90012)

Light Lunch will be provided

For more information: snagano@aol.com

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Date: May 12th
 Place: JACCC Plaza, 244 S. San Pedro St.
 What: Little Tokyo Sparkle: Clean up Little Tokyo
 Time: 9-12:30

SIGN UP HERE: <http://bit.ly/LTsparkle2018>

Light lunch will be provided! Bring hats, gloves, and last year's hachimaki! :)

Check out the LT Community Calendar!

Every month, Little Tokyo has a ton of great events, programs, exhibits, and shows! Check out the [Little Tokyo Community Calendar](#) on the [Go Little Tokyo website](#) to see what's going on in our neighborhood!

Notice something is missing? [Submit the event here!](#)



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